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In re Application of
Neuschutz et al.
Application No. 09/876,227
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ON PETITION

This is a decision on the petition under 37 C.F.R. § 1.137(b), filed July 7, 2003, to revive the above-identified application.

The petition is **granted**.

This application became abandoned for failure to timely reply within three months to the final Office action mailed December 31, 2002. No extensions of time under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) were obtained. Accordingly, this application became abandoned on April 1, 2003.

Petitioner has met the requirements to revive the above-identified application pursuant to 37 CFR 1.137(b).

The Notice of Appeal filed July 7, 2003, has been entered and made of record. Accordingly, the 2-month period for filing the appeal brief, in triplicate, accompanied by the fee required by law, runs from the date of this decision.

The file is now being forwarded to Technology Center 3700.

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